

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 20, 22, 23, 24, 28, 29, 35, 36, 39, 40, and 42, and add new claims 46-53, as follows. Please cancel claims 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 18, 19, 21, 25, 26, 27, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 37, 38, 43, 44 and 45.

1. [currently amended]: A system for monitoring the location of a mobile object, said system comprising:
 - (i) mobile apparatus ~~associated~~ located with said object, said apparatus comprising:
 - a position determination device for determining coordinate data relating to the location of said object;
 - a database for relating said coordinate data to textually descriptive data relating to the position of said object;
 - a speech processor for generating a verbal message based on said textually descriptive data;
 - ~~a processor for interpreting said determined location and generating a verbal message to convey said determined location;~~
 - a radio communication device for communicating said verbal message; ~~and~~
 - a processor coupled to said position determination device and said database and said radio communication device for ~~generating a verbal message based on said textually descriptive data~~ controlling generation and communication of said verbal message; ~~and~~
 - (ii) communications apparatus operable by a user of said system and configurable to receive communication of said verbal message from said apparatus and provide an audible representation thereof to the user.

2. [currently amended]: A method ~~of~~ for monitoring the location of mobile object, said method comprising the steps of:

- (i) establishing a radio communications link between a user at a location remote from said object, and an apparatus ~~associated~~ located with said object;
- (ii) determining coordinate data relating to the location of said object ~~by~~ at said ~~apparatus~~ mobile object;
- (iii) obtaining, at said mobile object, textually descriptive data relating to the position of said object based on said coordinate data;
- ~~(iii)~~ (iv) generating a verbal message based on said textually descriptive data, ~~by~~ at said ~~apparatus~~ mobile object, ~~to~~ for conveying said object location;
- ~~(iv)~~ (v) delivering said verbal message ~~by~~ via said radio communications link; and
- ~~(v)~~ (vi) audibly announcing said verbal message to said remote user.

3. [currently amended]: An apparatus ~~associated~~ for locating with a mobile object, said apparatus comprising:

a position determination device for determining coordinate data relating to the location of said object; ~~and~~

~~a processor for interpreting said determined location and generating a verbal message to convey said determined location.~~

a database for relating said coordinate data to textually descriptive data relating to the position of said object;

a speech processor for generating a verbal message based on said textually descriptive data;

a radio communication device for communicating said verbal message; and

a processor coupled to said position determination device and said database and said radio communication device for controlling generation and communication of said verbal message.

4. [Cancelled]

5. [Cancelled]

6. [Cancelled]

7. [Cancelled]

8. [currently amended]: A system as claimed in claim 4~~1~~, wherein said apparatus associated located with said object further comprises a human speech interpretation device for interpreting ~~speech~~ verbal commands of a said user, issued via said communications apparatus, ~~in response to a verbal message generated by said apparatus and received by said user.~~

9. [currently amended]: A system as claimed in claim 8, wherein said ~~human speech interpretation device is configured to interpret speech commands of said user, issued via said communications apparatus, for controlling~~ processor is configured to control at least one functional feature incorporated in said object in response to a verbal command of said user.

10. [Cancelled]

11. [Cancelled]

12. [currently amended]: A system as claimed in claim ~~11~~1, wherein said ~~database comprises street names related to position coordinates, wherein said street names are representative of said location names~~ textually descriptive data comprises at least one item from the group of items consisting of:

a street name;

a suburb name; and

a place name.

13. [currently amended]: A system as claimed in claim 12, wherein said ~~apparatus~~ mobile object comprises a motor vehicle.
~~is configured to monitor a mobile vehicle~~

14. [original]: A system as claimed in claim 13, wherein said apparatus is further configured to provide verbal navigational information to an occupant of said mobile vehicle.

15. [currently amended]: A system as claimed in claim 4~~1~~, wherein said position determination device comprises a Global Positioning System (GPS) device and said radio communication device comprises a cellular telephone device.

16. [currently amended]: A system as claimed in claim 4 15, wherein said communications apparatus comprises a telephone apparatus.

17. [currently amended]: A system as claimed in claim 16, wherein said ~~telephone apparatus~~ communications apparatus comprises a cellular mobile telephone apparatus.

18. [Cancelled]

19. [Cancelled]

20. [currently amended]: A method as claimed in claim ~~19~~ 2, wherein said step of establishing said radio communications link is performed by said user.

21. [Cancelled]

22. [currently amended]: A method as claimed in claim ~~19~~ 2, wherein said step of delivering said verbal message is performed using a cellular ~~radio~~ telephone network.

23. [currently amended]: A method as claimed in claim ~~19~~ 22, wherein said step of audibly announcing is performed using a telephone apparatus.

24. [currently amended]: A method as claimed in claim ~~19~~ 22, wherein said step of audibly announcing is performed using a cellular mobile telephone apparatus.

25. [Cancelled]

26. [Cancelled]

27. [Cancelled]

28. [currently amended]: A method as claimed in claim ~~19~~ 2, wherein said method ~~further~~ comprises the further step of ~~said user verbally responding, via said communication apparatus, to a verbal message received by said user, via said communication apparatus~~ interpreting, at said mobile object, verbal commands of a user issued via said communications apparatus.

29. [currently amended]: A method as claimed in claim ~~19~~ 28, wherein said method [~~further~~] comprises the further step of ~~said user verbally issuing commands, via said communication apparatus, for remotely~~ controlling at least one functional feature incorporated in said object in response to a verbal command of a user issued via said communications apparatus.

30. [Cancelled]

31. [Cancelled]

32. [Cancelled]

33. [Cancelled]

34. [Cancelled]

35. [currently amended]: An apparatus as claimed in claim ~~34~~ 3, wherein said apparatus further comprises a human speech interpretation device for interpreting ~~speech~~ verbal commands received from a remote user, ~~in response to a verbal message generated by said apparatus and received by said user.~~

36. [currently amended]: An apparatus as claimed in claim 35, wherein said ~~human speech interpretation device~~ processor is configured to interpret speech commands of said user, ~~for controlling~~ control at least one functional feature incorporated in said object in response to a verbal command of said user.

37. [Cancelled]

38. [Cancelled]

39. [currently amended]: An apparatus as claimed in claim ~~38~~ 3, wherein said ~~database comprises street names related to position coordinates, wherein said street names are representative of said location names~~ textually descriptive data comprises at least one item from the group of items consisting of:

a street name;

a suburb name; and

a place name.

40. [currently amended]: An apparatus as claimed in claim 39, wherein said ~~apparatus is configured to monitor a mobile vehicle~~ mobile object comprises a motor vehicle.

41. [original]: An apparatus as claimed in claim 40, wherein said apparatus is further configured to provide verbal navigational information messages to an occupant of said mobile vehicle.

42. [currently amended]: An apparatus as claimed in claim ~~34~~ 3, wherein said radio communication device comprises a cellular telephone device.

43. [Cancelled]

44. [Cancelled]

45. [Cancelled]

46. [New]: A method as claimed in claim 2, wherein said textually descriptive data comprises at least one item from the group of items consisting of:

a street name;

a suburb name; and

a place name.

47. [New]: A method as claimed in claim 46, wherein said mobile object comprises a motor vehicle.

48. [New]: A method as claimed in claim 47, comprising the further step of providing verbal navigational information messages to an occupant of said mobile vehicle.

49. [New]: A method as claimed in claim 47, wherein said method comprises the further step of interpreting, at said mobile object, verbal commands of an occupant of said mobile vehicle.

50. [New]: A system as claimed in claim 13, wherein said apparatus is covertly installed in said motor vehicle.

51. [New]: An apparatus as claimed in claim 40, wherein said apparatus is covertly installed in said motor vehicle.

52. [New]: A system as claimed in claim 13, wherein said apparatus comprises a human speech interpretation device for interpreting verbal commands of an occupant of said mobile vehicle.

53. [New]: An apparatus as claimed in claim 40, wherein said apparatus comprises a human speech interpretation device for interpreting verbal commands of an occupant of said mobile vehicle.